

## 34th Convention of Thirty-four Years of its History. Eighty-five Delegates in Attendance.

Delegates to the South Carolina convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union began to arrive on Thursday evening, some coming by train, some on the trolley from the direction of Columbia and Augusta, and many in cars from more contiguous points.

Bad weather threatened on Thursday afternoon and early Friday morning to interfere greatly with the attendance, but at the open hour, 10:00 A. M., there was evidence of brightening prospects and a goodly number was in attendance.

The following programme composed the morning session:

The devotions consisted of the crusade hymn and psalm, which always opens the sessions of the State and National conventions, the same that have inspired the cause of temperance in the Crusade days and the early days of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

The prayer was led by Mrs. Augusta Fly, president of the Aiken union. The roll call of officers followed every one present. As the state president used the gavel in calling the meeting to order, she exhibited one which had recently been presented her, through Miss Attaway, from a former State president, and at the time used by Mrs. Allie Chapin, one of the early and honored presidents of this organization, now in the thirty-fourth convention.

The roll call of unions was called by Mrs. T. R. Denny of Aiken, state corresponding secretary.

The following committees were appointed:

Press—Mrs. J. L. Mims, Miss Zena Payne, Mrs. J. H. White, Mrs. W. S. Middleton.

Resolutions—Mrs. J. L. Mims, Mrs. A. E. Waite, Mrs. W. M. Waters, Mrs. W. B. Cogburn, Mrs. W. S. Crouch and Mrs. W. S. Middleton.

The address of the State president, Mrs. Joseph Sprout, of Manning, was a masterpiece, and was vociferously applauded at the close.

Miss Cleo Attaway, the State corresponding secretary, of Saluda, made a magnificent report of her work, and the activities of the local unions were marvelous in the wonderful accomplishments of the year, perhaps the best ever made. More unions reported and more aggressive work done.

The treasurer's report, made by Mrs. Chas. P. Robertson of Columbia, was said to be the best ever made, more than \$1,500.00 having been received during this year. This report was most loudly applauded.

At the close of this report Dr. P. J. McLean, pastor of the Baptist church, the convention chapel, was called to the front, and made a very pleasant welcome to the audience, saying that Aiken was the largest small place in the United States. He also said that his mother wore the white ribbon on her breast since his earliest recollection.

The noon-tide hour is the time when white ribbons around the world lift up their hearts for the destruction of the liquor traffic. Dr. McLean led this prayer, which was followed by the Memorial service for promoted comrades who are here recorded:

Allendale, Mrs. J. C. Spann; Olanta, Mrs. J. L. McLendon; Philippi, Mrs. Martha Scott; Congaree, Rev. J. J. Meyers, Mr. Chas. Sloan; Seranton, Mrs. Frances Cannon, a member twelve years; Newberry, Mrs. J. H. Summer, Miss Eva Gary; Manning, Mrs. E. L. Wilkins, Mrs. Herman Jenkinson; Sumter, Mrs. Wm. Broughton; Bishopville, Mrs. Mary Spears, treasurer.

At the close of the morning session, the guests and delegates of the convention were invited to an elaborate and delightful luncheon prepared by the local union. The State president asked the blessing before this feast was partaken of.

### Friday Afternoon.

The devotions were conducted by Mrs. Thornton of Mullins and Mrs. J. H. White of Johnston, Miss Leila Attaway presiding at the piano during the song service.

By motion of Miss Leila Attaway, representatives from the Loyal Temperance Legion and Young People's Branch were made members of the convention.

Mrs. J. H. White of Johnston read the report of the committee on "Temperance Day in the Public Schools," saying that eight States now observe this day, in most of the States called "Frances Willard Day." It was moved that the last Friday in October be suggested as the temperance day for public schools, and that it be called "Frances Willard Day," the bill to be presented at the next session of the legislature. At this juncture Hon. G. L. Toole was presented to the audience, making an appeal for the

destruction of the cigarette as well as the alcohol question.

Mrs. M. E. Wright, of Marion, now came to the platform and made a splendid report of the National convention at Indianapolis, Ind., last November. This report was received with a rising vote of thanks.

Miss Cleo Attaway came next with a very encouraging report of the official organs, the Union Signal and Young Crusader.

A splendid report on Temperance Literature was made by Mrs. W. B. Cogburn of Edgefield, superintendent of that department.

The convention adjourned for the afternoon, and as the guests came out of the church doors automobiles were waiting to take the delegates for a tour of the famous city of Aiken. All of the remaining part of the afternoon was thus delightfully passed in the companionship of white ribbon comrades, viewing the lovely streets and magnificent homes and lawns of the Northern tourists.

### Friday Evening.

The evening session was opened with the singing of "O Sound the Jubilee" by the convention choir, and the addresses of welcome were heard by the Hon. G. L. Toole of Aiken for the town and Rev. John Rideout for the federation of churches.

Dr. J. P. McLean was the leader of the devotional services of the evening, and a very gracious host.

Mrs. W. C. Bell represented the Mission societies, and told of her treasured memories in connection with her acquaintance with Frances Willard in Chicago and Mother Stewart in the Crusade town of Ohio, many years ago in her girlhood.

For the public school, Prof. W. J. McGarity spoke most eloquently, appealing to the W. C. T. U. for their aid in eradicating illiteracy from our State.

Mrs. Julian Salley welcomed the convention for the Woman's clubs of the city, and Mrs. Augusta Fly for the local union.

The response to all of these splendid welcomes was made by Mrs. W. S. Middleton of Meriwether. This was full of humor, instruction and gratitude for the happy stay in Aiken.

At the request of the convention Mrs. Sprout's magnificent address of the morning was repeated, and with the singing of the "White Ribbon Star Spangled Banner," the evening session adjourned.

### Saturday Morning.

Saturday began bright and cold, and the delegates increased in number as the morning wore on. It is a notable fact that the W. C. T. U. conventions in South Carolina get bigger and bigger until further growth is stopped by adjournment.

A beautiful devotional service was conducted by Mrs. Nellie Mirandi of Columbia, Mrs. C. D. Stanley and Miss Anna Finnstrom leading in prayer, and the exercises closed with the singing of "More Love to Christ." Just at this time two little white ribbon recruits were introduced, Nina May McCracken and Frances Page of Aiken, the latter the daughter of Mrs. S. G. Page, chairman of hospitality committee.

Miss Antoinette Denny read the report on Young People's Branch, showing a few organizations in the State.

Miss Leila Attaway read the report of Loyal Temperance Legions, making an encouraging resume of this very important work.

A resolution was adopted by the convention, unanimously, that a protest be made against the holding of moving pictures in the city of Columbia on the Sabbath day. This resolution was introduced by Mrs. Mirandi of Columbia, and a telegram sent at once to the proper authorities in that city.

An open discussion was here commenced as to the conviction of W. C. T. U. members on the use of unfermented wine at the communion and the use of alcohol as a medicine.

The consensus of opinion was that the women believed that wine should not be served at the Lord's table or administered under any circumstances as a medicine.

Two other white ribbon recruits were introduced at this time, Billie McGarity, the son of the superintendent of Aiken schools, and Paul Allen Crouch of Saluda.

At this time, Mrs. Robertson, our State treasurer, took pledges for State work to the amount of about \$185.00.

Mrs. Harriet Lynch, president of the South Carolina Suffrage League was introduced to the convention.

Mrs. Anna Finnstrom of the Door of Hope in Columbia was introduced, and spoke eloquently for the Door of Hope. After her address a collection of \$14.00 was taken for this institution.

Superintendents of departments were called to the platform, speaking of the "value of their respective departments in bringing National

Constitutional Prohibition" to our country. Those who spoke were Miss Zena Payne of the Sunday school department, Mrs. W. B. Cogburn on literature, Mrs. W. S. Middleton on scientific temperance instruction, Miss Pearl Collier on anti-narcotics. After Miss Collier's appeal, Mrs. Lynch, who was one of the chairmen of Red Cross Relief, said that while she had been planning Christmas boxes for the soldiers, she had decided upon candy and possibly packages of cigarettes, but having heard Miss Collier, she had decided to place in the Cheraw county boxes a harmless game instead. This was applauded.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

President, Mrs. Joseph Sprout of Manning; vice-president, Mrs. J. L. Mims of Edgefield; recording secretary, Mrs. T. R. Denny of Aiken; corresponding secretary, Miss Cleo Attaway; treasurer, Mrs. Chas. P. Robinson.

The luncheon was beautifully and abundantly served by the suffrage league at their rest room. Mrs. Sprout was called upon for the blessing, and at the close gave very pleasant words of thanks for the courtesies of the luncheon.

### Saturday Afternoon.

Mrs. Parr of Newberry conducted the afternoon devotions.

The report of the committee on resolutions was read by Mrs. J. L. Mims, and adopted by the convention. When the resolution endorsing woman's suffrage was read, Mrs. Harriet Lynch, State president of the league for suffrage, was invited to come to the platform, which she did, and spoke very charmingly and convincingly for the resolution, which was unanimously adopted by the convention.

The children's hour consisted of songs by the Loyal Temperance Legion of Aiken, led by Miss Pearl Collier.

The report on finance was made by Mrs. Chas. P. Robinson, and that on telegrams by Miss Leila Attaway.

The delegates to the National convention were nominated from the floor, and were as follows:

Mrs. W. B. Cogburn of Edgefield, Mrs. W. S. Middleton of Meriwether, Mrs. W. M. Waters of

Florence. Alternates, Miss Zena Payne and Mrs. A. P. Lewis of Johnston and Mrs. Park of Bishopville.

At the close of miscellaneous business, as is the custom of all W. C. T. U. convention a circle was formed, which extended all around the walls of the church, all delegates and friends of the cause, with hands clasped, singing the union hymn, "Blest be the Tie that Binds."

### Saturday Night.

The Saturday evening programme of the convention is always given to the young people for their medal contests.

Special music was furnished and the following children contested for a medal in song, after the devotions by Rev. W. C. Bell of the Lutheran church:

William and Tracy Hite, Theresa Woodward, Gussie Kimball, Irene Gady and Lorena Toole of Aiken, Elliott Lewis, Ora Belle Perry, Mary and Helen Walker, Laurie and Thomas Hoyt and Sudie May Stillwell of Johnston, John Owen and Daisy Smith of Harmony and Lucy Scurry of Edgefield.

This was the vocal contest, and the medal was awarded John Owen Smith.

The declamation contest only had three contestants, who were Irma Hair of the Nazareth community in Saluda county, Vivian Edwards of Saluda and Hammet Scurry of Edgefield.

## Notice of Final Discharge.

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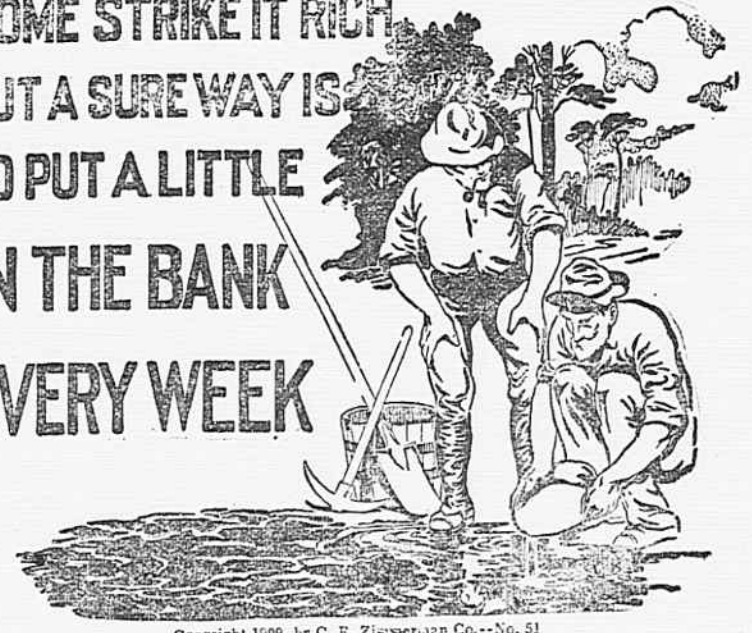
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